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The St. Lawrence University
CANTON, NEW YORK

84 Park St.
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Director of the Hall of Fame

One Madison Ave.

New York 10, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your invitation to attend the ceremony of the unveiling of the busts and tablets for Susan B. Anthony and Thomas Paine. I wish I could be present but I have been out of town so much lately, and I have a trip to Washington meanwhile that I do not feel in justice to my classes that I can absent myself from the college again. But

→ I am pleased no end that we have at long last recognized Tom Paine.

I have often thought that we ought also get American history straightened out on Matthew Maury. Now that the Academy at West Point has decided to hang up his picture among the great American generals, it seems to me we might give Maury his due as a scientist. His participation in the war on the South's side and his aid to Maximilian ought not to stand in the way of recognition of his

Elected
1930

Unveiled
1931

virtual founding of the science of oceanography.

He ought to be recognized in America: he certainly is
recognized in Europe.

Thank you again for the invitation.

Sincerely,

Henry Reiff

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